MINUTES

STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS

Meeting Held:
Thursday, March 17, 2011
at 8:30 a.m.
Indiana Government Center South
402 West Washington Street, Room W064
Indianapolis, Indiana

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. John Sauer called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m. local time at 402 West Washington Street, Room W064, Indianapolis, Indiana and declared a quorum in accordance with IC § 25-31.

Members Present

Harold Snead, Board Chair (in attendance via Skype) John Sauer, Acting Chair Mark Downey Vincent Drnevich Kenneth Spaulding

Staff Present

Elizabeth Kiefner Crawford, Board Director (PLA)
Crystal Heard, Assistant Board Director (PLA)
James Schmidt, Deputy Attorney General and Board Advisor (Office of the Attorney General)

II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Board Action: A motion was made to adopt the agenda.

Drnevich/Downey Motion carried 4-0-0

III. ADOPTION /AMENDMENTS TO THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 20, 2011

Board Action: A motion was made to adopt the minutes of the January 20, 2011 meeting with an amendment on page 2 which replaced the word "him" with the word "have" in the Wetzel matter.

Drnevich/Downey Motion carried 4-0-0

IV. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

8:30 a.m.

There were no personal appearances at the March 17, 2011 meeting.

V. PETITIONS FOR REVIEW

A. Owen Keenan (Applicant by Comity)

Mr. Keenan has requested a review of the Board's decision to deny his application by comity. The Board originally denied the application due to a deficiency of three (3) hours in calculus based physics. The Board reviewed documentation that indicates Mr. Keenan is now enrolled in a calculus based physics class that will conclude in July 2011.

Board Action: A motion was made to allow Mr. Keenan's petition for review. The Board Director will explain to Mr. Keenan that he can either move forward with his petition for review or apply for a license after completion of the calculus based physics course.

Downey/Drnevich

4-0-0

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

In the Matter of the License of Lee Nagai Cause Number: SBRPE 10-08

Parties Present: Mr. Nagai was present and waived the right to counsel.

Members Participating:
John Sauer (Hearing Officer)
Mark Downey
Vincent Drnevich
Kenneth Spaulding

Case Summary: Mr. Nagai's license was placed on probation by the Board due to his practice of engineering in Indiana while his license was expired. Mr. Nagai provided the Board with documentation that he has met the terms of his probation.

Board Action: Motion was made to have the probation requirement withdrawn from Mr. Nagai's license.

Downey/Drnevich 4-0-0

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Request for Early Exam Admission- Kurt Voigt

Mr. Voigt submitted correspondence to the Board requesting early admission to the October 2011 PE examination due to a job opportunity. Mr. Voigt would be short of the experience requirement if allowed to sit for the October 2011 examination.

Board Action: Motion was made to deny Mr. Voigt's request due to the fact that the Board has no waiver authority.

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE

IX. PERMIT/LICENSURE APPLICATIONS

The following Professional Engineering applicants and EIT applicants were approved by the Board by a vote of 4-0-0 (Downey/Drnevich) after review pursuant to the instructions on the Board's action forms:

- 1. Thomas M. Roeder
- 2. Raghavan Ramjee
- 3. Melvin Glass
- 4. Monika Grover
- 5. Andrew Springer
- 6. Daniel Schwartz
- 7. Patrick Chang
- 8. Raju Iyer
- 9. Erik Merlino
- 10. Kaberon Wooton
- 11. Brandon Fodo
- 12. Martin Spees
- 13. Michael Vacek
- 14. Peter Agbro (EIT)

The following EIT applicants were tabled for additional information from the applicants by a vote of 4-0-0 (Downey/Drnevich) after review pursuant to the instructions on the Board's action forms:

- 1. Nauman Ansari- require additional transcript and Applicant must fully complete supplemental form
- 2. Violeta Xha- Applicant must fully complete supplemental form

The following Professional Engineering applicants were rejected by the Board by a vote of 4-0-0 (Downey/Sauer) after review pursuant to the instructions on the Board's action forms:

- 1. Jaymin Patel- educational deficiency
- 2. Radhakrishna Daita- educational deficiency
- 3. Peter Bastien- cannot be registered by comity because applicant never took the FE examination
- 4. Randal Peterson- educational deficiency
- 5. Bin Zhang- educational deficiency and cannot license via comity because the Applicant does not hold a license pursuant to IC 25-31-1-21

X. BOARD DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A brief discussion was held regarding the need for all actions by the Board to be included in the Board minutes. The Board will now place all applicant actions into its minutes.

XI. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

The Board held a discussion regarding its Investigative Fund.

Board Action: Motion to allow the Director to withdraw the current notice of intent which is numbered as LSA # 09-611. The Board will be taking steps in the next few months to resubmit the rule regarding its investigative fund.

Downey/Drnevich 4-0-0

Board Action: The Board voted to allow staff to review applications for CE providers. Only those that are questionable will come to the full Board for review.

Downey/Drnevich 4-0-0

The Board approved continuing education for ALTA surveys (Drnevich/Downey 5-0-0) and tabled R.W. Armstrong's course on The Art of Effective Delegation for more information as to how the course is specifically geared towards engineers (Drnevich/Downey 5-0-0)

The Board discussed a recent problem with students attempting to register for the FE examination two times while in their senior year of school. The Board directed staff to send a letter to NCEES outlining this concern and compliance with the Indiana statutes and rules.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business and having completed its duties, the meeting of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers adjourned at 3:33 p.m.

John Sauer, Acting Chairperson

State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers

Date